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ELEKTRA NATCHIOS HAS WALKED MANY PATHS IN LIFE: NINJA, ASSASSIN, KILLER. BUT HER TIME DEFENDING HELL'S KITCHEN HAS SHOWN HER A NEW ONE—THAT OF A HERO. IN HER QUEST TO DEFEAT THE DEMONIC HAND CULT AND WIN THE ORIGINAL DAREDEVIL, MATT MURDOCK, AS AN ALLY, ELEKTRA RECENTLY TOOK UP THE MANTLE. SHE IS THE WOMAN WITHOUT FEAR! SHE IS...

# DAREDEVIL

PREVIOUSLY...

The super-gangs of NYC shared a delicate balance of power—until **Tombstone** was shot at his daughter's wedding and **Madame Masque** was assassinated by **Hammerhead**, who had been playing the crime bosses against each other. But Masque is very much alive! She's been the one really pulling the strings. After she beat Hammerhead to a bloody pulp, all-out war has erupted throughout New York.

And the fires of this Gang War are spreading across Hell's Kitchen...

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TERRITORIES





HELL'S KITCHEN.  
NOW.

One may think I've  
underestimated  
my opponents...



...but they've  
underestimated  
the Devil in me.





As the whole city explodes into chaos, I'm trying to make my way to the leader of the Hest...

NFI!



...but that always leaves a power vacuum.

And Lieutenant Rafael Scarfe decided he'd take the throne.

FSSSSSS



KAFF KAFF!

CAN'T BREATHE!

The gas is nonlethal.





...a group of corrupt and former cops bringing their "brand of justice" into Hell's Kitchen...

...and their "justice" means innocent people die.

They took a hit when Matthew and I crippled their ranks...

\*IN DAREDEVIL #1-4, ON SALE NOW!

It would be easier to kill them...

...but I made Matthew a promise.

I've changed...

...we've all changed.

We've had to.



UPPER EAST SIDE.  
HOURS AGO.

I've never fit in when it came to all these super hero teams, though they love creating them.

UPPER EAST SIDE HOT ZONE IS COLD, LUKE.

GOT TWO BIG FISH AND A BUNCH OF A.I.M. AGENTS WHO NEED PROCESSING.

I'LL SEE WHAT I CAN DO, SPIDER-MAN, BUT WE'RE STRETCHED THIN HERE...

Avengers, New Avengers, the Unity Squad...

...I know I'm forgetting something.

...HELL'S KITCHEN IS SMOLDERING, AND I DON'T KNOW WHO I CAN TRUST WITH THE HEAT ACTIVE THERE.

HELL'S KITCHEN IS NO PLACE FOR AMATEURS.

HOW'D YOU HEAR THAT?





I prefer working alone.

Except with Matthew...



...but even in his arms, there was a distance between us.

was that because of him?



Or me?



I'LL HANDLE IT...




YEP, OO, THAT'S JUST WHAT I WAS GONNA SUGGEST.




...ALONE.






Super hero  
teams or  
not...




...this Gang War is  
tearing the entire  
city apart.



It's taking *all*  
of us to take  
back control...

...and Spider-Man  
and Cage are  
counting on me  
to keep things  
calm in the  
Kitchen.

It feels like every time one  
neighborhood is cleared,  
another is set on fire.



...but *violence*  
causes change,  
and vice versa.





DAMMIT!

New York has a way of always reinventing itself.



This turmoil is just part of that cycle.



I'm sure there are some that hoped for an easier transition...



THUNK



WHOA!



There we go...













NEW YORK  
BELONGS TO  
US...

...AND THERE'S  
NOT ENOUGH OF  
YOU TO TAKE US  
ALL OUT.

I don't  
hear their  
heartbeat.

I don't sense  
them unsheathe  
their blade.



I barely hear  
the knife  
cutting the air.





Who  
the hell is  
that?













Dammit!  
Scarfe is  
getting away.

I let myself  
be distracted,  
and--



Whoever  
she is...she's  
quick.

That hurt, but she  
won't know that.


SO,  
ARE YOU THE  
HEAT'S SECRET  
WEAPON?

YOU'RE THE  
ONE WHO'S WINNING  
THIS TURF WAR FOR THEM?


YOU SAID  
YOU WERE BETTER  
THAN ME...

...TIME  
TO PROVE  
IT.






She's  
focused...




...but *maybe* I can  
get her off track.




It's  
working.

I shouldn't have  
been able to get  
that kick in.



But now I've  
made her *angry*.



I can use  
that too.



LINGH!

So, she  
can feel  
pain.





WHERE DO  
YOU THINK YOU'RE  
GOING?



A retreat?



When Stark gave me  
these new sai, he  
equipped them with  
sonic tracking. It's  
similar to how Matthew  
navigates the world.

So now every  
Paredevil has  
this trick.

And she's  
gone.



It's a shame...  
I was just  
getting to  
like her.









I didn't anticipate  
this new player...  
whoever she is.

Or do they  
just have a  
common goal?

Is she  
helping the  
Hest?

She doesn't  
react to pain.

And that *blade* of  
hers must've been  
an adamantium  
alloy to cut  
through my line.

Could this new  
assassin be from  
the Hand?

Matthew sacrificed  
himself to destroy  
their *Beast*...

...but the Hand  
*always* finds a  
way to return.

"SEE DAREDEVIL:  
"THE RED FIST SAGA"!"



Could this be a rogue member trying to take advantage of the situation here in--

kreeek







...I WAS  
GONNA EAT  
THAT!

OWLSLEY!



NGH!



LET ME  
GUESS...YOU'RE  
HERE TO CLAIM HELL'S  
KITCHEN AS YOUR  
PRIZE?



NOT  
WHILE I'M  
AROUND.



OH NO...YOU DON'T  
GET OFF THAT  
EASILY.

He's not  
fighting  
me.



Why?









MADAME MASQUE.



HOBGOBLIN.



DIAMONDBACK.



THE HEAT.



LADY YULAN.



MR. NEGATIVE.



SHANG-CHI.



RINGMASTER.



EVERYONE WHO'S GOT A STAKE IN THIS CITY.

EVERYONE WHO WANTS TO BE KING--OR QUEEN--OF THE HILL.

I'M PROBABLY FORGETTING SOMEONE, BUT YOU GET THE POINT.

AND I'VE HEARD THERE'S SOME NEW PLAYER WHO'S BACKING THE HEAT, SO--





WHAT DO YOU GET OUT OF TELLING ME THIS?

I'M JUST A BUSINESSMAN, I WANNA DO BUSINESS WITH WHOEVER COMES OUT ON TOP.

THEY WON'T GET HELL'S KITCHEN.



IT'S NOT JUST HELL'S KITCHEN THEY'RE LOOKING TO TAKE.

THIS IS WINNER TAKES ALL, AND THEY'RE PLAYING FOR KEEPS.

He's not telling me everything.



I could torture the intel out of him...



WHERE'S THE HEAT, OWLSLEY?

GAH! THERE'S A SHIPMENT GOING TO FIER 87 TONIGHT.

THAT'S WHERE THE HEAT HOLES UP.



...but I keep my promise to Matthew.



WATCH YOUR BACK, OWLSLEY.



I HOPE YOUR ARM GETS INFECTED!



A LITTLE LATER.

YOU KNOW  
IT'S A TRAP,  
RIGHT?

OF  
COURSE IT'S  
A TRAP.

BUT I CAN'T  
HAVE MORE WEAPONS  
COMING INTO HELL'S  
KITCHEN...OR ANYWHERE  
ELSE FOR THAT  
MATTER.

Matthew always said  
that Spider-Man was  
a good man.

IT'S NOT LIKE OWLSLEY  
TO JUST GIVE UP  
THE GOODS.

WHO'D HE  
SAY WAS THE  
SUPPLIER?

HE DIDN'T...  
JUST THAT THERE  
WAS AN "ANONYMOUS  
BENEFactor"...

ARE  
YOU ALL RIGHT?

Naive, yes.  
But he has a  
lot of heart.

ME? YEAH, I'M  
FINE.

OH,  
YOU MEAN THE  
COSTUME...

YEAH, IT'S  
BEEN A ROUGH  
NIGHT.

For all  
of us.

IF  
YOU NEED  
HELP...

I don't  
need help.

I have to  
do this on  
my own.

BREAK  
TIME'S  
OVER.

SHEESH,  
LUKE, WE WERE  
JUST CATCHING  
UP.





DUTY  
CALLS.



Hell's Kitchen isn't my home, but I'll fight like the devil to protect it.

Payoffs at the docks are nothing new, but Owlsley may have been right.

I never thought I'd put down roots, but...

Someone is making a late-night delivery.

Let's hitch a ride.







Time to change  
my perspective.



I count seven so  
far, but there're  
likely more inside.



Let's see  
what's really  
going on.









What the devil's in there?



WHOA-HO-HO!

THIS...  
ISN'T WHAT I  
EXPECTED!



PUT  
THE GUNS  
DOWN.

HOW MANY  
OF THESE YOU  
GOT, LADY?



THAT'S THE  
ONLY ONE, IT'S A  
PROTOTYPE.

BUT IF  
THIS WEAPON---  
AND YOU--PROVE  
USEFUL...MY  
EMPLOYER CAN  
PROVIDE  
MORE.



No one should  
have that kind of  
firepower. Not  
even good cops.

This  
ends...



...NOW.



TO BE CONTINUED!



# DEAR DEVIL

## Hello, Hornheads and Web-Heads alike!

Tom Groneman and Devin Lewis reporting to you from the place where everybody knows your **OTHER** name: after hours at the Bar With No Name! Come on in, find a seat anywhere! Oh, not there—that table's reserved for the Spot. He'll be popping in and out all night. Regardless, it's a good thing y'all stopped by! That **GANG WAR** is really heating up out there!

I've been keeping my ear to the ground all night. Lotta weird rumors flying around. I just can't believe somebody took out Tombstone. Did you hear what Beetle did to Black Mariah?! Beetle's gunning for Diamondback's turf in Harlem too. Who knows who will be left standing when this is all over?! I only know two things for sure—this fight for the streets of New York City will get worse before it gets better, **AND** this bar should be your one-stop shop to weather the storm! We've got **ONE** rule: **NO** fighting! And that rule is absolutely **NEVER** broken. **EVER**.

Where are y'all coming from? Not Brooklyn, I hope! Word on the street was that Spider-Man just busted some huge ice-robot of Frost Pharaoh's! Wonder where the heck that dude got that kind of tech?! Y'know, Man-Bull was just in here, and he was saying that Frost Pharaoh never stood a chance in Brooklyn anyway. Way

he tells it, Hobgoblin's about to make a huge play. I mean, you'd need an army of supers to take that much territory... I wonder who Hobgoblin's got up his sleeve?

What do you mean you saw the **PROWLER**?! He's back?! I thought Hobie Brown hung that costume up and has been rolling as the Hornet these days? What could this mean for Spider-Man and Brooklyn? Probably nothing good!



**MILES MORALES: SPIDER-MAN  
#14—ON SALE 12/27!**

Oh, Devin! You're back from break! C'mon, I need a hand cleaning up this mess at the jukebox. We had to cut karaoke short after Hypno-Hustler tried to mind-control us into joining Big Ben's crew!

Any news? Haven't heard much out of Hell's Kitchen yet.

Then you haven't been listening to our kindly patrons, Tommy! The criminal underworld is abuzz with trouble, as **BOTH** of Hell's Kitchen's Guardian Devils have been tangling with a new criminal element called **THE HEAT**!

Comprised of corrupt and former police officers, the Heat is dabbling in any and all corners of criminality—gun-running, narcotics, robberies. You name it, they do it.

But the word on the street is that their progress has been stalled by the one and only **WOMAN WITHOUT FEAR, ELEKTRA NATCHIOS**! She's one of the most lethal and skilled assassins in the Marvel Universe, but if rumors are to be believed, she may have finally met her match!

One thing's for sure—this is one game of cat and mouse you won't want to miss!



**DAREDEVIL: GANG WAR #2—  
ON SALE 1/10/24!**

**WOW! THAT DOES SOUND TERRIFYING AND AWESOME!**

Gosh, the place sure is busy tonight. A.I.M. goons, Monster Metropolis... Who the heck are the "Buzz Boyz"?! With all these territories changing hands, I can't keep track of who's in charge of what. Seems like every time Spider-Man and co. put one fire out, another two more pop up. Well, hey—it's good for



business. If things are this heated in Manhattan, I can't imagine how crazy Brooklyn is right now. Spidey's gonna need all the help he can get. Hey, whatever happened to his friend over in Jersey City? Ms. Marvel! Is she joining this fight?



**MILES MORALES: SPIDER-MAN #15 AND #16—ON SALE 1/10/24 AND 2/14/24!**

**MS. MARVEL?!** I may be a barkeep in a tavern for super villains, but she's still one of my FAVORITE super heroes!!! (Just don't tell any of the regulars.)

Hey, speaking of helping hands! Spidey isn't the only one who might be in over his head. While Elektra's busy dealing with the GANG WAR and the Heat, DAREDEVIL, the Man Without Fear, will be

facing a whole other kind of problem—**SOMETHING'S UP WITH SHE-HULK!**

Whatever evil has loomed large over Matt Murdock for the past several months has spread and infected the Jade Giantess! Can Matt Murdock pull her from the brink of...**WHATEVER** has possessed her?! There's only one way to find out—**READ DAREDEVIL #5!**



**DAREDEVIL #5—ON SALE 1/17/24!**

Uh, apparently, a bunch of Inner Demons just swept in and informed us that this area is now under Mr. Negative's control. Well, at least they bought everybody a round! Wait, I thought this was supposed to be Hammerhead's turf? Haven't seen him or any of his Maggia at all tonight. The Inner Demons were sporting some pretty crazy-looking gear though...kind of like what those Buzz Boyz and Frost Pharaoh were packing. Probably just a coincidence...except I remember Shocker saying something about working with a new supplier out of Brooklyn. Could someone else besides Hobgoblin be making a move? No way Spider-Man has the muscle to fight back against Hobgoblin's push AND then have to battle some other

mystery villain—I don't care who he's got holding the line to keep a lid on that part of the city. Who could be worse than the Hobgoblin?!



**WHO INDEED?! MILES MORALES: SPIDER-MAN #17 (ON SALE 2/28/24) KICKS OFF A STORY LEADING TO ISSUE #300 IN MARCH. THIS OVERSIZE CELEBRATION OF MILES MORALES CAN'T BE MISSED!**

Uh-oh. Here comes the Maggia now—and they don't look too happy about the Inner Demons taking their turf. I gotta get them to settle down—we have a rule that we ALWAYS follow!

Looks like Tom's going to need some backup, True Believers! While we're dealing with the chaos here at the Bar With No Name, why don't you turn the page and scope out who's claimed what turf and what awesome issues are yet to come in this climactic and chaotic crossover?!

Over and out!  
Devin & Tommy  
10.26.23

**GANG WAR**

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# THE GANG WAR CONTINUES!

NEXT:

## DAREDEVIL #2

**Elektra** takes the fight to the **Heat**!  
But who is backing this dangerous new  
gang and their mysterious assassin?



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